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OLIGONUCLEOTIDE SYNTHESIS

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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed October 14, 2008 in connection with the above-identified patent application, Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows.

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Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.